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H.Res. 499

Rule Accompanying H.R. 853-Comprehensive Budget Process Reform Act of 1999

Floor Situation:

This afternoon the House will consider H.Res. 499, the rule for general debate of H.R. 853. There will be one hour of debate on the resolution, equally divided between the Chairman and ranking minority member of the Rules Committee.

Summary:

H.Res. 499 allows for 90 minutes of general debate with 40 minutes equally divided between and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on the Budget, 30 minutes equally divided between and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Rules, and 20 minutes equally divided between and controlled by the chairman and ranking minority member of the Committee on Appropriations. In lieu of amendments recommended by the Committees on Budget, Appropriations, and Rules now printed in the bill, H.Res. 499 makes in order to consider the amendment, consisting of the text of H.R. 4397, in the nature of a substitute as an original bill for the purpose of amendment. This rule provides for consideration of only those seven amendments printed in the Rules Committee report accompanying the resolution, in the order printed, by the member designated, and for the time specified in the report equally divided between the proponent and opponent of the amendment. The rule waives all points of order against the amendments printed in the Rules Committee report and provides for one motion to recommit with or without instructions.

More information on the amendments made in order by the rule will be available in the *Floor Prep* for H.R. 853 when it is considered by the House next week.



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